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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a two-month extension of time, to and including January 17, 2000, for replying to the Office Action mailed August 17, 1999.

Please charge the two-month extension fee of \$380.00, and any additional fees or credit any overpayment resulting from the filing of the attached Amendment to Deposit Account No. 18-1982. Two additional copies of this Petition are enclosed.

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